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Viewing cable 09ISLAMABAD922, MUMBAI PROSECUTION UPDATE: PAKISTAN FILES CHARGE SHEET

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09ISLAMABAD922	2009-04-30 11:01	2011-08-30 01:44	CONFIDENTIAL	Embassy Islamabad

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SUBJECT: MUMBAI PROSECUTION UPDATE: PAKISTAN FILES CHARGE SHEET

REF: ISLAMABAD 505

Classified By: CDA Gerald Feierstein for reasons 1.4 (b), (d).

1. (C) Summary: On April 29, the Pakistani Federal Investigation Agency (FIA) filed an interim charge sheet in connection with the Mumbai terrorism case. **MORE FROM INDIA**

2. (SBU) On April 20, Minister of Interior Rehman Malik confirmed the arrest of one more suspect in the Mumbai terror attacks and asked India to provide more information. **3.** (C) On March 14, India passed to the GOP answers to 30 questions regarding the Mumbai attacks. Pakistan's response to India's dossier has been received. **4.** (C) The FIA's response includes the following outstanding requests for the GOI: -Authenticated copy of Ajmal Kasab's confession statement, FIA INVESTIGATION AND PROSECUTION

5. (C) Embassy Legatt continues to meet with the FIA investigative team on the technical aspects of the Mumbai investigation and prosecution. ISLAMABAD 00000922 002 OF 004

6. (C) The FIA filed an interim charge sheet in an Anti-Terrorism Court in Rawalpindi on April 29 and the court has granted the FIA until May 10 to file its response. **7.** (C) Significantly, the FIA turned over physical evidence to Legatt that has subsequently been sent to the U.S. for analysis. The release of the evidence is being handled by the FIA and the MUZAMMIL GROUP

8. (C) On April 27, Embassy Legatt having received GOI approval, shared FBI information about a Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) subgroup believed to be involved in the Mumbai attacks. **9.** (C) The four suspects that the FIA has arrested- Zaki ur-Rehman Lakhvi, Hamid Ameen Sadiq, Mazhar Iqbal (aka al Qama), Abdul Wajid (aka Zaki) are being held in custody. ISLAMABAD 00000922 003 OF 004
OUTSTANDING ITEMS

10. (C) Though FIA-FBI information sharing has improved greatly in the last few weeks, Embassy Legatt continues to face resistance from the FIA. **11.** (C) The FIA continues to seek the following items from the FBI: (Item A is underway; items B-E require GOI or UAE concurrence of participation). **SIGNIFICANT HURDLES**

12. (C) Acquiring some of the information the GOP needs for its prosecution will require high-level intervention from the relevant governments. **A.** Pink Aluminum Box: The two pink boxes found in Pakistan and India are a strong link that proves the conspiracy behind the attacks originate from India. **B.** Thuraya Satellite Phone Records: The Thuraya company has not released its records to any investigatory agency. The company is based in the U.A.E. **C.** GOI Evidence Shared with the FBI: The FBI still awaits GOI approval to share several pieces of information with the GOP. Important evidence includes the following: **D.** Evidentiary Legal Issues: There are significant issues to resolve about the appropriate legal methods to present third-country evidence in court. **12.** (C) Comment: The Mumbai attacks prosecution is moving along mostly unnoticed in Pakistan, with more immediate security concerns dominating the news. ISLAMABAD 00000922 004 OF 004
network. Malik is likely to blame the GOI for not sharing enough evidence. More cooperation and open information sharing on the part of the FIA and the FEIERSTEIN